

**OUR CIRCULATION.**  
We mean to keep the following paragraph stand-  
ing for the benefit of all whom it may concern:  
ADVERTISING.—We would commend the following  
facts to the attention of the advertising community.  
The "Wilmington Journal" circulates upwards of 12  
thousand copies weekly. Its circulation in the town  
of Wilmington is as large as that of any other paper pub-  
lished in the place. We would further state that its  
circulation in the counties which trade to this place is  
large as that of any other paper published there.  
We are, therefore, without the fear of contradiction,  
that it is the best vehicle for advertising which the peo-  
ple of Wilmington can select. One other observation.  
We think that although a large majority of the readers  
of the "Journal" are in the city, yet a very considerable  
portion of the "Journal" are in the country, and that the  
value of such readers shall be a sufficient receipt  
therefor.

**MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.****Post Office, Wilmington.**NORTHMAN MAIL, by Rail Road, due daily at 2 P. M.,  
and close at 10 P. M.SOUTHERN MAIL, by Steamer from Charleston, is due  
daily at 8 A. M., and closes at 11 A. M. every day.FAVORITE MAIL, by Rail Road, is due on Mondays  
Wednesdays and Fridays, at 3 P. M., and closes on same  
days at 10 P. M.FAVORITE MAIL, by Prospect Hall, Elizabethtown,  
Westbrook, and Robinson, is due on Tuesdays Thurs-  
days and Saturdays, at 9 A. M., and closes on same  
days at 10 P. M.SOUTHERN MAIL, by Steamer, is due daily at 8 A. M.,  
and closes at 12 P. M. every day.TAYLOR'S BRIDGE, LOCKPORT, MOORE'S CREEK, BLACK  
RIVER BRIDGE, AND HARRIS'S STORE MAIL, is due every  
Thursday at 6 P. M., and closes every night at 10.DOWD'S CREEK MAIL, STEAMER, and TAYLOR'S  
MAIL, are due every Monday at 1 P. M., and close every  
Thursday night at 10 P. M.**PRINTING****OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.**Neatly executed and with despatch, on  
liberal terms for cash, at the  
JOURNAL OFFICE.**DAVID FULTON,**ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.**MYERS & BARNUM,**Manufacturers and Dealers in  
HATS AND CAPS.Wholesale and Retail,  
MARKET STREET—Wilmington, N. C.**GEORGE W. DAVIS,**Commission and Forwarding  
MERCHANT,  
LONDON'S WHARF, WILMINGTON, N. C.**ROBT. G. BARKIN,**Auctioneer & Commission Merchant,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.Liberal advances made to shippers to his friends  
in New York.

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**GILLESPIE & ROBESON**Continue the AGENCY business, and will make  
liberal advances on consignments of  
Lumber, Naval Stores, &c. &c.  
Wilmington, August 1st, 1845.

From Edgar Taylor's Lays of the Minstrel.

MAY SING.

The following is the original of the song  
meant to be the original:May, sweet May, again is come;  
May, that feeds the land from bloom;  
Children, children, up and see  
All her stores of fallow and grain;  
O'er the laughing hedgerows' side  
She hath spread her treasures wide;  
She is in the greenwood shade,  
Where the nightingale hath made  
Every branch and every tree  
Ring with her sweet melody;  
Hill and dale are all her own treasures,  
Youth, rejoice in sportive measures;  
Sing ye! join the chorus gay!  
Hail this merry, merry May!Up, then, children, we will go  
Where the blossoms grow;  
In a joyful company  
We the bursting flowers will see;  
Up! your festal dress prepare!  
Where gay hearts are meeting, there  
May heart pleasures meet loving;  
Heart, and sight, and all delighting;  
Listen to the bird's sweet song;  
Hark! how soft it doth along!  
Courage dante our pleasures share,  
Never say I was so fair;  
Therefore, dancing will we go;  
Youths rejoice, the flow'ets blow;  
Sing ye! join the chorus gay!  
Hail this merry, merry May!Our many youths, where are they now?  
Did them up, and with us go  
To the sports on the plain;  
Did all to care and pain,  
Now, thou pale and wounded lover!  
Thou thy peace shall soon recover!  
Many a laughing lip and eye  
Speaks the light heart's glee;  
Lovely flowers around we find,  
In the smiling vale and field;  
Richly steeped in May-dews glowing;  
Youths! rejoice, the flowers are blowing;  
Sing ye! join the chorus gay!  
Hail this merry, merry May!Oh, if to my love restored,  
Her, e'er all her sorrowed,  
What supreme delight were mine!  
How would I care her away resign!  
Merrily in the bloom of May,  
I would weave a garland gay,  
Fetter than the best is she,  
Pure than all purity!  
I will sing this changeful one;  
Thankful or unthankful, she  
Shall my song, my idol be.  
Youths, then, join the chorus gay!  
Hail this merry, merry May!**THE NEW STATES—IOWA AND WIS-**

CONSIN.

The following article on the relative position  
and extent of the new States of Iowa and Wis-  
consin, for the admission of which into the  
Union, Acts were passed at the late ses-  
sion of Congress, is from the pen of Mr.  
Darby, the geographer, and will be read with  
interest.The great region of U. States territory to the  
northwest of Illinois and Missouri, west-  
ward of Lakes Michigan and Superior, and  
eastward of Missouri river, comprises, in  
total number, 267,000 square statute miles.Of this large space, about 20,000 square  
miles between Lakes Michigan and Superior  
from the northwestern part of the State of  
Michigan. Exclusive of this fraction extend-  
ing from the northern boundary of Illinois, in  
a northwesterly direction of nearly six hundred  
miles, spread east of the Mississippi river, the  
southwestern part of which has been formed  
the new State of Wisconsin. The whole ex-Lake Superior affords abundance of good  
harbors, and the Mississippi offers fine naviga-  
tion to the Falls of St. Anthony, more than  
100 miles above the southern extremity of  
Minnesota.With the exception of its Western portion,  
it is well watered by rivers and lakes. Its lake  
border is rich in meliorific deposits.The most important points in Minnesota, at  
present, and probably for all time to come, are  
Fond du Lac, at the western extremity of Lake  
Superior.With many its cold climate will be an ob-  
jection. It is pretty well north, but if a man  
wishes to raise a vigorous family (and we  
know of nothing more desirable) he will much  
sooner seek a home in Minnesota than in Tex-  
as. There is, however, abundant room as yet  
this side of that territory. Northwestern Ohio,  
Michigan and Wisconsin, should first be set-  
tled.—*Telesto (Ohio) Blade.***THE NOBLE SON, OR, MERIT****REWARDED.**"You are too parsimonious, Henry," said  
Mr. D. to one of his clerks, as they were to-  
gether in the counting-room one morning;  
"give me leave to say you do not dress suffi-  
ciently genteel to appear as a clerk in a fash-  
ionable store."Henry's face was suffused  
with a deep blush, and in spite of his efforts  
to suppress it, a tear trembled on his manly  
cheek. "Did I not know that your salary  
was sufficient to provide more genteel habili-  
ments," continued Mr. D., "I would increase it.""My salary is sufficient, amply sufficient,"  
replied Henry, in a voice choked with  
emotion; "but with that proud independence  
of feeling which poverty had not been able to  
divest him. His employer noticed his agita-  
tion and immediately changed the subject."Mr. D. was a man of immense wealth and  
apple-benevolence—he was a widower, and  
had but one child, a daughter, who was the  
pride of his declining years. She was not as  
beautiful as an angel, or as perfect as Venus,  
but the goodness, the innocence, the intelli-  
gence of her countenance! and you had but to  
become acquainted with her, to admire, to love  
her. She was Caroline Delaney when Henry  
first became acquainted with her. No wonder  
that he soon worshipped at her shrine; no  
wonder that he soon loved her with a deep  
and devoted affection; and, reader, had you  
known him, you would not have wondered  
that love was soon returned, for their souls  
were congenial, cast in virtue's purest mold.  
Henry was the very soul of honor, and altho'  
he perceived with pleasure that he was not  
indifferent to Caroline, still he felt that he  
was not called upon to love her, and he would  
not do so. "I must not endeavor to win her  
young and artless heart; thought he. "I am  
penniless, and cannot expect that her father  
would ever consent to our union—he has ever  
treated me with kindness, and I will not be  
ungrateful." Thus he reasoned; thus he con-  
sidered the situation; and he was not alone  
in his reasoning. Caroline had many suitors,  
and some who were fully worthy of her;  
but she refused all their overtures with a  
decisive firmness. Her father wondered at  
her conduct, yet would not thwart her inclina-  
tions. He was in the decline of life, and  
wished to see her happily settled ere he quit-  
ted the stage; and he thought that more  
he suspected that young Henry was the  
cause of her indifference to others, the evident  
pleasure she took in hearing him praised, the  
blush that overspread their cheeks whenever  
their eyes met, all served to convince the old  
gentleman—who had not forgotten that he  
was once young himself—that they felt more  
than a common interest in each other's welfare.He forebore making any remarks on the  
subject, but was not so displeased at the sup-  
position as the penniless Henry would have  
imagined.Henry had now been one year in his  
employment. Mr. D. knew nothing of his family,  
and his history, and he was not in the habit  
of inquiring into the private life of his em-  
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to make him esteem him highly. He was proud  
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